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In re the Application of:

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

"Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to take action in response to the Office Action mailed September 16, 1998. This extension of time is effective to allow timely filing of a Response up to and including March 16, 1999.

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